



MISSION NEWS



*A Call To
Action!*

IMPACT ON THE CHURCH OF GOD (SEVENTH DAY) COMMUNITY

The Church of God (Seventh Day) in Jamaica is built across 58 congregations, organized into five zones that span every region of the island. These churches are not just places of worship; they are centers of family, community support, and spiritual refuge.

In several zones, church buildings have suffered damage, congregational families have lost livelihoods, and entire neighborhoods surrounding our churches are in distress. The need is immediate, widespread, and urgent.

DISASTER IN JAMAICA: A CALL TO ACTION FOR GC MISSIONS

The island nation of Jamaica is facing unprecedented devastation following Hurricane Melissa, the most powerful storm ever recorded to strike the country. With sustained winds reaching 185 mph, this Category 5 hurricane has left destruction in every parish, disrupting daily life and overwhelming already strained recovery efforts from last year's Hurricane Beryl.

According to United Nations reports, many dozens of lives have been lost across Jamaica, Haiti, and the Dominican Republic, and Jamaican Prime Minister Andrew Holness estimates financial losses could reach \$7 billion — nearly one-third of Jamaica's national GDP. With less than 20 percent of homes insured, thousands of families are left with no protection and no means to rebuild.



*58 Churches
Affected*



HEART OF GC MISSIONS



*GC
Missions
Response*

GC MISSIONS RESPONDS

Even before the storm made landfall, GC Missions — working closely with the North American Ministerial Congress (NAMC)— began communication with Jamaica’s church leadership to prepare for and assess needs.

During and immediately after the storm, GC Missions worked persistently to contact pastors, members, and zone leaders to ensure safety and identify critical areas of support. Now, GC Missions has invoked a “whole-church response” — calling every congregation within the North American Conference (NAC) to unite in providing relief and restoration support.

This is not charity.

This is the church being the church.

This is the body of Christ lifting the body of Christ.

NEW DIRECTION OF GC MISSIONS

In the last six months, GC Missions has entered a renewed chapter of clarity, unity, and purpose. Significant progress has already taken shape:

- Transparency and accountability of records and financial stewardship;
- Reinforced global collaboration with international church leadership;
- Establishment of the GC Missions Prayer Partner Network, with representatives from all seven NAC districts;
- Strengthened commitment to spiritual formation, outreach, and mission training

This disaster marks the first major test of this renewed mission structure—and we are responding with both compassion and action.



*New
Direction*



THE FUTURE

*Forward
Vision*



PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION: MIT MISSION

Even in crisis, GC Missions remains committed to building long-term mission capacity. Next month, the Missionary Immersion Training (MIT) launch in Monterrey, Mexico, will begin training new missionaries with hands-on preparation for both global and local evangelistic work.

GC Missions is not only responding to today's need . . .

We are preparing the workers who will serve tomorrow's needs.

JOIN THE MISSION: DECEMBER

This December, as our churches across the North American Conference traditionally give toward GC Missions, we are asking every congregation to

- Give generously
- Pray fervently
- Stand together in Christ.

When one part of the body suffers, we all suffer with it. When one-part rises, we rise together.

Now is our moment to be the hands of Christ, the heart of compassion, and the voice of hope to our brothers and sisters in Jamaica.

Together, we rebuild.

Together, we strengthen.

Together, we proclaim "*Cristo Viene*" in Faith and in Action.

*Partner With
Us in Mission*

